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Examiner Dao,

Per your voicemail this morning, please find the attached interview request and a proposed amendment. At the interview, we will be prepared to discuss an overview of the invention and address the claim rejections in view of our proposed amendment. We would like to reach an agreement regarding each of the rejections, if possible. Feel free to call at (703) 519 9803 if you will require any additional information.

Sincerely,
Scott Polunas

Enclosure

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Appendix

1. (Currently Amended) A script management system comprising:

a script repository retrievably storing a plurality of parameterized command script templates, at least one command specification constituent of a command script template specifies a user parameter identifier;

a managed entity configuration management module populating parameterized command script templates in deriving corresponding command scripts; and

a versioning module ensuring that appropriate user parameter set versions are used to populate the command script templates and extra user parameters in a user parameter set are ignored when an old version of a user parameter set is used with a modified command script template.

16. (Currently Amended) An analyst human-machine interface, embedded in a computer-readable recording medium, for communications network managed entity configuration comprising a computer-readable medium encoded with instructions, said computer-readable medium comprising means for:

command script template creation,

submission of the command script template to a script repository for storage,

submission of multiple versions of user parameter sets to the script repository for storage,

optional-retrieval of the command script template and the user parameter sets,

optional-modification of the command script template, and

ensuring that appropriate versions of the user parameter sets set-versions-populate the

command script template, and

ignoring extra user parameters in a user parameter set when an old version of a user parameter set is used with a modified command script template.

21. (Currently Amended) A managed entity configuration human-machine interface, embedded in a computer-readable recording medium, comprising a computer-readable medium encoded with instructions, said computer-readable medium comprising means for:

command script template selection from a group of command script templates,

submission of the command script template selection for the configuration of at least one

target managed entity, and

ensuring that appropriate user parameter set versions populate the command script templates,

and

ignoring extra user parameters in a user parameter set when an old version of a user parameter set is used with a modified command script template.

25. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable recording medium comprising a computer-readable medium encoded with instructions, said computer-readable medium comprising:

at least one parameterized command script template, comprising an associated version specification,

further comprising a user parameter set comprising the same associated version specification,
and wherein said parameterized command script template further comprises an associated version

specification, and said user parameter set further comprises an associated version specification
instructions for ignoring extra user parameters in a user parameter set when an old version of
a user parameter set is used with a modified command script template.

30. (Currently Amended) A method of configuring a communications network managed entity comprising the steps of:

selecting at least one parameterized command script template from a plurality of
parameterized script templates based on a configuration task to be performed on the managed entity;
populating the parameterized command script template with appropriate user parameter set
versions to derive a command script in respect of the configuration task; and

submitting the command script template to the managed entity for execution, and
ignoring extra user parameters in a user parameter set when an old version of a user
parameter set is used with a modified command script template.